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WHAT IT IS DOING

Readers of The Pacific may have seen a pamphlet published by the Commission on Missions entitled "What the Depression Means." This applies only to the national boards. It may be of value for our readers to learn what it means to our own state work. In April the Conference Board of Directors adopted the budget for the fiscal year from April 1 to March 31. This budget is the lowest by $6,000 than we have had in years. Instead of expenditures of $38,000 as planned for a year ago, the figure has been reduced to $32,000. Not all of this goes for the work of the conference, as some of it is paid out for annuities to people who have made conditional gifts. (It should be noted that the budget for the work of the whole Conference with its far-flung missionary activities is less than the expenditures of each of three individual churches in our conference.)

The first move for economy was the reduction of salaries of the superintendent and the office staff; the second was the moving of our offices into cheaper quarters; the third was the eliminating of much of the cost of mailing The Pacific by taking that work into the office; the fourth was the eliminating of missionary aid to two of our churches and the cutting down of aid to a number more. This last step was not easy to take, and results in real hardship, for while the cost of living has decreased, the churches which are receiving missionary aid are finding it increasingly difficult to meet their portion of the pastor's salary. In one case where the Conference eliminated an appropriation of $300 the church found it necessary to reduce its own giving $300, which made a $600 reduction in the minister's income.

Even after making these economies the Conference is still running in debt at the rate of $123 per month, if our income is the same as last year. Immediately after the summer vacation the Dollar Plan will be set in motion among our churches, with the hope and expectation that the tide can be turned in the matter of benevolence giving and that we can retrieve lost ground.

ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS

Following is the list of officers and places of meeting of the associations whose meetings were held after the last issue of The Pacific:

CENTRAL — Moderator: Rev. H. H. Wolford, Ceres. Vice-Moderator: Rev. J. T. Munton, Angels Camp. Registrar: Mr. George W. Prickett, Salida. The meeting next spring will be at Ripon.

SAN JOAQUIN—Moderator: Rev. B. Dent Naylor, Porterville. Registrar: Rev. Norman B. Henderson, Fresno. The meeting a year hence will be held at Tulare.

COMING EVENTS

June 23-26. State C. E. Convention, Visalia.

July 5-14. Missionary Education Movement Conference. Asilomar.

July 30-August 6. Young People's Conference of Congregational Churches of Northern California. Asilomar.

October 4-5-6. Pacific Slope Congress. First Church, San Diego.

October 25-26-27. Northern California Congregational Conference, First Church, Berkeley.

GO FORWARD!!

By Superintendent **HARLEY H. GILL**

Just now our churches are having financial difficulties and sometimes our tasks seem very discouraging. Money counts, but it is not the only thing that counts. There are other resources at hand. In these we are just as rich as we ever were.

There are just as many hours in which to do our work as we have ever had. Perhaps there are more, for hard times may encourage us to curtail other activities which have been in competition with the church.

There is just as much physical and intellectual ability left among our people as there ever has been. Indeed, when we are forced to do without some things that money will buy, it may well be that our bodies are toned up and our wits sharpened, for necessity is the mother of invention. Our people may once again do voluntarily the things that we have been compelled to hire others to do for us, i. e., in the choir and Sunday School.

There is just as fine a fellowship today as ever before. When people are compelled to labor and struggle for the cause they love, a comradeship that is exceedingly precious springs up. The man power and the woman power which is at the disposal of the church for service week after week and year after year is nothing short of stupendous. No political, social or even charitable movement can compete, and we still possess these resources.

There is just as much idealism and consecration in our ranks as there ever has been. This depression is bound sooner or later to call us back to that which counts. We yet will learn that life does not consist in the abundance of things possessed. The financial sacrifices which restricted budgets are forcing upon us, are being met by our workers in a splendid spirit. To this hour there has not come one word of complaint to the Conference office because of reduced missionary aid, although it was a serious blow to many. Nowhere has there been sounded a note of retreat. On the contrary our people are saying, "Now is the time to show what Christianity means."

We still have a great gospel to proclaim, with just as many people needing it and with the same old conviction as to what it will do for men. We have that which is needed by the man who helplessly goes about looking for a job, and by the man who has seen his life's savings swept away. We have that which is needed for the rebuke of those who have defrauded and oppressed their fellowmen. We have that which will make a new world if we but apply it.

Last of all, let us remember that there is just as much divine assistance at our call as there ever has been. Indeed, it may be that spiritual power can find its way to us and through us more completely than when we were absorbed in lesser things. This cause of ours is God's cause. He cares more for it than we do, and He does not forget His own. His arm is not shortened.

God is with us, and we are here. We may be hard up for money but we have the resources that count and it shall yet be true that one shall chase a thousand and two put ten thousand to flight. The kingdoms of this world shall become the Kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ.

Fresno Youth Meet

An International banquet for Congregational young people was held in the First Church of Fresno on Friday evening, May 6th. Rev. and Mrs. Norman B. Henderson had taken the lead in the matter and called together representatives from the Armenian, German and Japanese churches. The women of these churches agreed to furnish food typical of their group nationalities and on the day of the banquet came together and worked in the kitchen preparing it. About 230 young people were present and a unique arrangement of seating had been provided so that the different nationalities could not group together, but were mixed up in a most happy fellowship. Rev. and Mrs. Gail Cleland of Alameda, Miss Martha Stamford of San Mateo, and Mrs. C. T. Tinker of Oakland were introduced and spoke briefly. The two addresses of the evening were delivered by Superintendent Harley H. Gill, on "What Is Congregationalism," and by Secretary George L. Cady on "The Covered Wagon." Dr. Cady asked Armenian, German and Japanese to stand in turn, and then when he asked for Americans to stand the whole group arose. Dr. Cady promptly made his apologies and declared that this occurrence was a reminder of the fact that while we come from different countries and races, we are all Americans and will have a part in the United States of tomorrow.

Bay Ordains Two

On Tuesday, May 31st, a unique service of ordination was held at Niles. The Plymouth Church of Oakland had joined with the Niles Church in calling a council for the purpose of examining Mr. E. V. Haynes, a member of Plymouth Church, and Mr. E. G. Brinkmeyer, the pastor of the Niles Church. After extended statements by the candidates and a period of questioning by the members of the Council, it was voted unanimously to proceed with the ordination of Mr. Brinkmeyer and to appoint a committee which would make arrangements for the ordination of Mr. Haynes at a later time. For Mr. Brinkmeyer's ordination Rev. Gail Cleland of Alameda served as Moderator. Mr. E. V. Haynes read the scripture and offered prayer. Rev. F. J. Van Horn of First Congregational Church of Oakland preached the sermon. Rev. T. T. Giffen of Plymouth Church, Oakland, gave the charge to the church and Superintendent Harley H. Gill gave the charge to the minister. The ordaining prayer was offered by the Moderator. Rev. George E. Tolson extended the right hand of fellowship. Mr. Brinkmeyer plans to continue work as pastor of the Niles Church. The ordination of Mr. Haynes will be held on Sunday evening, June 12th, at the Northbrae Community Church, where he serves as Director of Religious Education.

PACIFIC CONGRESS

"The New West and the New World" is the general theme for the next meeting of the Pacific Slope Congress, to be held in San Diego Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 4th, 5th and 6th, in the First Congregational Church, the San Diego churches serving as hosts. This subject is deliberately chosen because it will allow the discussion both of denominational and world problems with particular reference to the responsibility for them on the part of our Congregational churches.

Three separate discussion periods, with ample time allowed, are to be given to the discussion of Christian Education, with particular reference to the church college, of Missions, with all that is involved in the new approach, and of our Congregational promotion agencies, where we shall hope to have an opportunity to speak frankly of the questions connected with them from the viewpoint of the West Coast. In addition, the number of speakers will be limited to allow ample time after each address for a discussion of the particular subjects which present various phases of the Congress theme.

Rev. George Arthur Buttrick, D.D., of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, will be our guest speaker. He is known to our ministers, at least, by his book on the parables, and his more recent book, "Jesus Came Preaching."

Local committees are hard at work to present a program with an opportunity for fellowship which will be challenging.

S. CAL. CONFERENCE

The annual meeting of the Southern California Congregational Conference was held at Whittier, May 9, 10 and 11. According to the report of the credentials committee, there were 582 registrations, revealing the largest attendance in many years. A feature of the conference was the use of the forenoons in three simultaneous discussion groups. Rev. Arthur E. Holt of Chicago Theological Seminary conducted one of the groups and spoke at an evening session. The report of Superintendent E. D. Gaylord revealed a healthy condition among the churches. The Conference voted for the continuance of the agreement with the American Board, whereby Southern California has oversight of the work in Mexico. Rev. A. D. Stauffacher of Claremont was the Moderator. The new Moderator is Rev. Holland F. Burr.

DR. McCALL'S NEW BOOK

The Pacific is pleased to note that Dr. O. W. S. McCall of Berkeley has brought out a new book "The Uses of Literature in the Pulpit." In all probability much of the material which Dr. McCall presented so effectively at the Pastor's Conference a year or two ago will be found in this publication. Dr. Joseph Fort Newton has said of it: "The book is not only a revelation of the treasures of literature for the preacher, but it is itself a fine example of how to use those treasures. As a book about preaching should be, it shows gloriously what preaching can be, alike in insight, style and contents."

It is published by Harper's at $1.50.

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A GROWING LIST

The readers of this paper doubtless constitute our most interested and our most devoted constituency in their respective churches and in the whole state. Not only do we ask for your contributions, but we ask you to do what you can in behalf of the contributions of others.

Lest this word may escape the eye of the church treasurer, or of your Board of Trustees, will you use your influence to have every dollar that has been contributed to missions sent in on or before July 1st? State Conference treasurers and national society treasurers are, like everybody else, finding it increasingly difficult to borrow money during these times. Moreover, the interest on borrowed money is just so much taken from the work in the field. We do not want appalling debts to face after the depression lets up.

The tragedy of reduced receipts for our state and national missionary work at this time is that such reduction diminishes the effectiveness of what after all is our essential hope for the future of the world. Without more religion and better religion in the days to come, there is nothing but catastrophe ahead. The sacrificial, thorough-going gathering in of contributions from individuals and their churches by July 1st will help to avoid this catastrophe.

A list of contributions from the several churches for the month of May and for the year up to and including May, appears below. Will you look it through carefully and see whether or not your treasurer has sent in all that has been paid in for missions. We are hoping to keep down our borrowings during the summer, to the minimum.

	May Receipts	Jan. 11 to May 31
Adin	$ 6.22	$ 40.57
Angels Camp	.....	25.00
Benicia	.....	25.50
Berkeley, First	645.00	2,580.00
Berkeley, North	54.25	360.22
Berkeley, Park	.....	24.00
Ceres	5.00	85.00
Cloverdale	.....	66.33
Cotati	.....	52.59
Crockett	12.50	51.75
Eureka	.....	52.78
Fairfax	.....	30.00
Ferndale	.....	95.76
Fresno, First	125.00	162.50
Grass Valley	.....	10.38
Guerneville	5.00	25.00
Kenwood	.....	14.46
Lodi	25.00	660.00
Loomis	.....	10.00
akland, First	1,080.00	2,258.00
Oakland, Olivet	.....	5.15
Oakland, Plymouth	150.00	450.00
Oroville	.....	30.00
Pacific Grove	.....	104.75
Palo Alto	125.00	625.00
Paradise	.....	50.00
Pescadero	.....	5.00
Petaluma	75.00	260.00
Pittsburg	17.76	35.00
Redwood City	.....	196.85
Reno, Nevada	.....	159.80
Ripon	5.00	20.00
Sacramento	.....	275.00
Salida	5.00	31.00
San Francisco, Bethany, Mis. Pk.	110.00	110.00
San Francisco, Richmond	18.00	19.00
San Jose	62.00	367.85
San Leandro	46.88	69.59
Santa Cruz	.....	200.00
Santa Rosa	.....	112.51
Saratoga	.....	225.00
Sebastopol	2.50	38.50
Stockton	.....	433.33
Suisun	.....	50.00
Sunnyvale	.....	7.00
Tulare	50.00	115.75
Weaverville	.....	13.75
Woodside	.....	41.50
Miscellaneous	5.00	105.00
	$2,630.11	$10,831.17

M. E. M. MEETING

The Conference of the Missionary Education Movement, which opens at Asilomar the 5th of July, will present an attractive program. Printed folders may be had by writing to the Conference office.

One of the outstanding features of this summer's conference will be the presence of Dr. William J. Shergold, pastor of St. Aubyn's Congregational Church of London, England. Dr. Shergold, who comes to America as guest minister for the Stanford Chapel, will lead the devotional studies each morning. He is said to be one of the strongest leaders for these intimate spiritual hours.

Mrs. E. H. Silverthorn of New York, nationally known missionary leader, will teach the China studies. Assisting her will be some of the ablest missionaries having served in China. This course can be studied for credit in Unit 308.

Dr. Morgan Odell, Occidental College, will be in the Conference teaching the course for leaders of young people, whether Senior, Young People or Intermediate. He is well qualified and will bring practical helps for those who enroll with him. This is standard course No. 72.

Mrs. A. Rosenberger, much-loved teacher in Asilomar Conferences, will lead the study of the American Indian. She will have assisting her some of the missionaries who are serving among the Indian people. Unit 309.

Mrs. Ernest Stoddard Page, of Berkeley, successful and inspirational teacher of juniors and leaders of juniors, will be on the faculty again. All who have been with her in the past will be anxious to sit under such leadership again this year. Standard course No. 42.

Churches should be represented in this Conference. There will be a chance for a choice from four standard credit courses, as well as inspirational meetings. Write Mrs. A. L. Gillman at the Conference office for information and tell her who will be delegates.

SPECIAL NOTICE

At the regular meeting of the Board of Strategy on Prohibition, it was unanimously voted to request all the ministers in the State of California to make Sunday, June 12 (second Sunday in June), Prohibition Sunday and to speak upon the subject. We are passing through a very serious crisis and great danger will result from the lack of publicity upon the importance of this great question. The Public Press is full of misrepresentations and misleading articles. The Church Press and pulpit must awaken to their great responsibility in this dangerous period of our country's history.

HIP WO SCHOOL

San Francisco, Calif.

Our regular correspondent for Hip Wo School, Mr. Wong, reports that there have been no unusual happenings at the school during the past quarter but that the work has been going on vigorously and busily. He tells us, though, that a new teacher was recently appointed for the school, Mr. T. T. Taam. Mr. Taam has also been given the responsibility for cultivating the Sunday school work of the school, and they feel that under his direction a more effective piece of work than ever will be done. Mr. Taam wrote for us the following which will give you an idea of the purpose of the school so far as Sunday school training is concerned, and also Mr. Taam's own attitude toward it:—

"As you have already been told, the Chinese Hip Wo School is an institution which was organized by four leading Protestant denominations in San Francisco, California. One of the chief purposes of this school is to "Christianize" the young Chinese boys and girls in the midst of the famous Chinatown. These youngsters will in turn spread the life-saving Gospel of Christ to their parents, relatives and friends.

"The question of how to present Jesus, as attractively and as impressively as possible, to this group of young people is indeed a difficult one; for most of the students attending Hip Wo School are native born citizens of the United States and at the same time they are quartered exclusively in Chinatown. They acquired a mixed culture of both materialism and conservatism. It is not an easy task to change their fixed point of view. We try hard to give the correct ideas of God as revealed in the Bible and in the experiences of men. The pictures we make of Christ in our efforts to teach the pupils are such that will win their admiration as well as their faith, love, worship and their everlasting allegiance. "Students of today will be the leaders of tomorrow." With this thought in our minds, we hope that the students who are now studying in our school will get a true conception of God and a good Christian education which will enable them to "Christianize" their own people. Preparing the young people for true and able leaderships is our chief aim.

"Chapel services are held twice a week at which time a worship period of song, prayer and Scripture is given. The Chinese pastors from different Chinese churches in the city, prominent persons and teachers bring the messages of the vesper hour. Bible classes and study groups are being organized among the students in order that they may understand more about the teaching of Christ.

"A statement has been issued recently by the principal summarizing the enrollments in the school during the first two months of this year. It shows that over half, or about fifty-four percent, of the entire student body between four and sixteen years of age attend Sunday schools in different churches in the city where the children are taught that religion is a progressive and culminative spiritual endeavor for betterment. A meeting for this group of Sunday school goers will be held in the very near future at which time each student will be urged to bring at least one additional boy or girl into the group. With the launching of this proposed campaign, we hope at the end of this term our percentage of attendance in Sunday schools will be greatly increased."

WEDDING BELLS

A very happy event for the people of Adin and Big Valley took place on Saturday, May 7th, when Rev. Westwood Wallace claimed Miss Alta Harper as his bride. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. T. Giffen at Plymouth Church, Oakland. Mr. Wallace has been serving the church at Adin for a year. He has also organized a Sunday School and other religious work at Nubieber. Something less than a year ago Mrs. Wallace, who is herself an ordained minister of the Disciples Church, returned on furlough from the mission field in China. During the past months she has taken an active part in the work of the churches of Big Valley, cooperating wholeheartedly with the pastor. Without warning their friends, they decided to join forces in Christian work for life and slipped away to Oakland for their marriage. Aside from the bride's parents, no one in the parish knew of their intentions. They made the long drive back to Big Valley in time to meet their usual appointments on Sunday, May 8th.

The news had leaked out, and at the various services of the day there was a great outpouring of people. Seventy-five or a hundred people came to the Harper home after the evening service. On Wednesday evening a general reception was held and the people of all three communities came with a generous shower for the newlyweds. During the summer an extended honeymoon trip by automobile is to be enjoyed.

The PACIFIC joins with many friends in congratulations and good wishes, and in predicting a career of happiness and usefulness for the Wallaces.

AND IN JAPAN

Rev. Mikio Ishino returned to the United States on May 14th, to resume his leadership of the Oakland Japanese Church. He brought with him a new helpmeet in the person of Mrs. Ishino, formerly Miss Kinu Suzuki of Tokyo, Japan. The marriage took place on February 13th in the home city of the bride. Mr. Ishino greatly enjoyed the visit to Japan, from which he had been absent a number of years. The PACIFIC joins with all of our churches in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Ishino a very happy married life and a long and useful service with the Oakland church.

P. F. ROYOLA

A letter from Rev. P. F. Royola, written just as he was to take up his new work at Cagayan, reports that his wife's health has been practically restored to normal, but that the children are uneasy. The climate is so hot that they long to be back in California, and letters from their school mates in Salinas make them homesick. The whole family joins in sending good wishes to their friends in California.

During the first five dry years consumption of milk increased four times faster than during the preceding ten wet years (1)—or eight times faster during the dry years. That means health and happiness for millions of kiddies, and for hundreds of thousands of families, and profit for the farmers.—(1) U. S. Statistical Abstract, 1930, p. 665.

When national prohibition went into effect 33 states were dry by their own acts, and only 15 wet. And in the wet states there were hundreds of villages, cities and counties which were dry by popular vote. Who said prohibition was "slipped over"? "Prohibition in the United States," Colvin, p. 435.

NEWS FROM CHURCHES AND THEIR LEADERS

PETALUMA—One of the Sunday evening services in April was conducted entirely by the Young People's Society, Rev. Noel J. Breed, the pastor, sitting in the congregation. They chose for their topic "Prayer." During May there were no evening services on Sunday, so that extra time could be given to the Young People's meetings. The group was divided into two sections, each with adult leader, one section studying "Leadership" and the other "Understanding Ourselves." After the discussion period the two groups came together, each giving a brief report of the findings of the study; then a social hour was enjoyed. The early Sunday morning services, 7:30 to 8 o'clock, are being held again this summer, with larger attendance than in other years. At these services Dr. Breed is speaking on "Great Books of the Bible." Plans are being made for the yearly Out-Door Church Rally, which is to be held at Mark West Springs on June 5th.

SAN FRANCISCO. OCEAN VIEW—Three members were received by letter during May, and eight children were baptized. Three young people are planning on going to Asilomar. The Junior C. E. again won the attendance banner in the contest with the societies of other churches. All but one class in the Sunday School now have rooms. Rev. J. D. Salmon is the pastor.

BERKELEY FIRST—Ninety-five new members were received on Sunday, May 1st. This was the result of a personal campaign of Evangelism led by the pastor, Rev. O. W. S. McCall, and participated in by a number of lay workers. During the final week of the campaign about 25 of the total number were enrolled.

OAKLAND PILGRIM — After recovering from a period of illness, Rev. Charles H. Cleaves, the pastor, returned to his pulpit for services on May 22nd. A large congregation greeted him. It was evidently too great an effort, for he was again taken ill and forced to spend a number of days at home.

FRESNO. FIRST—Extensive repairs have been made on the building, including an attractive job of exterior painting. A new High School group of 25 has been formed. Rev. Norman B. Henderson, the pastor, reports the largest attendance at worship during the three years of his ministry.

SAN LEANDRO-BROADMOOR — At a recent fun night 300 people were present. Fifty dollars was derived from the entertainment which will be used in improving the old Sunday School rooms. Rev. J. H. McCartney is pastor.

RIPON—Three Sunday School teachers attended the training school at Modesto and received certificates. Rev. E. L. Spuller, the pastor, is to spend two months this summer at camp in the high Sierras.

TULARE—By actual count the congregations are 25 per cent larger than a year ago. The evening open forum has a greater attendance than the morning service. Rev. R. B. Whitaker is the pastor.

FRESNO... JAPANESE — Branch Sunday Schools are maintained at Madera and Del Rey. Mr. S. Nakayama, the pastor, was granted a license to preach by the San Joaquin Association.

OAKLAND-FRUITVALE — A Vacation Church School is planned by the pastor, Mr. J. E. Boyd, to be carried on from July 11th to 29th.

ANGELS CAMP—Mrs. J. T. Munton, wife of the pastor, started a 10-cent social, inviting ten ladies to the Manse, each paying a dime. These ladies pledged to go forth and do likewise. The money is to be used to send at least one delegate to the Asilomar Young People's Conference. Mr. and Mrs. Munton recently visited Ceres, speaking on missionary work in Calaveras County and also in Africa, where Mr. Munton was one time stationed. This visit was in return for one when Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Wolford of Ceres came to Angels Camp, when Mr. Wolford delivered an address to the members of the Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges.

TRINITY COUNTY—Rev. and Mrs. Robert J. Allen have been bereaved by the death of their son, who was instantly killed in an automobile accident on May 2nd. Bad weather and illness has cut down attendance and made it impossible for Mr. Allen to keep all of his appointments the past month, but he is looking forward to visits to the outlying territory with the improvement of the weather.

OAKLAND. FIRST — This church has appointed a Wright Act Campaign Committee to cooperate with committees from other churches under the California Board of Strategy. The church has invited all unemployed and those who have employment to offer, to register at the office. Rev. F. J. Van Horn and Rev. R. C. Waddell are the pastors.

SANTA CRUZ—Since this is the Diamond Jubilee year of the church, a goal was adopted on January 1st of 75 new members. On May 1st 17 were received into the church, making 82 since the first of the year, which means the goal has been reached and 7 besides. Rev. H. S. Mahood is the

BENICIA — The pastor, Rev. E. W. Houlding, has been taking Saturday hikes with groups of boys and girls, including nearly fifty individuals. The Young People of Benicia who have attended the Asilomar conference recently visited Martinez and Suisun to speak to the young people of these churches and urge attendance.

SALIDA. The Junior Choir attended the Lodi Rally of young people and sang two songs. The trip was financed by the Sunday School as a treat to the choir for its excellent and faithful work. Rev. Jessie Getty Heath, the pastor, has a most loyal and efficient group of young people in this choir.

SAN LORENZO—The Union Church is being served with a series of sermons on How Big. The titles are "How Big Is Your World?" "How Big Is Your Bible?" "How Big Is Your God?" "How Big are You?" Rev. C. E. Robinson, D.D., is pastor.

SAN JOSE — Rev. Benjamin Gould, the pastor, will exchange pulpits and homes with Rev. C. H. Hudson of Eureka for the month of July. Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Eckles have returned to San Jose and both are actively at work in the church.

NILES—For the first four months of the year the church attendance is 50 per cent greater than for a like period a year ago. Mrs. E. G. Brinkmeyer, the wife of the pastor, is supervising the Sunday School at Sunol.

SACRAMENTO—Eighteen new members were received into the church during May. Rev. Lawrence Wilson, the pastor, plans to stay by the church during the summer.

ALAMEDA—The pastor, Rev. Gail Cleland, recently put on old clothes and joined the army of the unemployed. He spent a number of hours with idle men in Oakland on the street. In reporting his experience, he said: "I learned some things of deep importance, some humor, some pathos, some tragedy. The present crisis is filled with foreboding unless we can meet it with the utmost wisdom. If we cannot practice our religion now, we might as well quit preaching it. We dare not ignore the challenge of our brothers." Six new members were received into the church on Mother's Day.

LODI—The Sunday School of this church joined with the schools of the Christian, Methodist and Episcopal Churches in a union picnic recently. A mothers and daughters banquet was held on May 6th. A special table was provided for families in which three generations were represented. Rev. E. T. Sherman is emphasizing the ministry of the drama by Sunday evening plays given by young people and women's association members.

SAN MATEO—Forty new members, nearly all of them married couples, were received recently into fellowship. For the most part these new members have already made pledges for the church's support. Rev. George E. Brown, the pastor, reports that out of 15 calls made one afternoon recently, he found 4 families that might be called prospects for the church.

TULARE—The High School League meets every Sunday night at the home of one of the members for discussion. Refreshments are served, for which a nickel is charged, this money going into the Asilomar fund. Rev. Robert Whitaker, the pastor, is to be on the faculty of the young people's Conference.

ANTIOCH—The Men's Club recently sponsored a dinner at which 104 persons were present. Attendance at the club is twice as great as that of a year ago, and the attendance of men at the church has more than doubled that of a year ago. Rev. Henry Stauffer is leading in the preparation for a vacation church school.

OAKLAND-BETHANY. There were 175 people present at the annual dinner served by the Ladies' Aid. Recently four new members were added to the church and three infants baptized. Rev. V. H. Yessayan is the pastor. Two-thirds of the members of this church are under 35 years of age, and the church government is largely directed by young people.

GUERNEVILLE—On a recent Sunday evening Dr. Susan T. Sargent gave a dramatization of present-day China in its conflict with modern ideas. During the month of May, the pastor, Rev. James W. Price, made a total of 115 visits. Every week he has a column of interesting material, including some very good preachments, in the local papers.

SAN CARLOS — The Ladies' Society installed a beautiful curtain in front of the choir. This society and the Sunday School have made contributions to the church treasury which have enabled the church to meet all bills. Rev. Reed B. Cherington is the pastor.

OAKLAND PLYMOUTH—Rev. T. T. Giffen reported at the Bay Association that the weekly attendance for young people's activities amounts to 100 more than a year ago.

REDWOOD CITY—Sunday, May 1st, Rev. Norman W. Pendleton began his work as pastor of the First Congregational Church of Redwood City. A large and enthusiastic audience greeted him. The chorus rendered unusually good music. The church expects to go forward and accomplish greater things than ever in its history. Rev. Clarence Oakley of Palo Alto was pulpit guest and offered the morning prayer. Rev. C. H. Stevens received 14 into membership and baptized two babies, after which the regular communion service was held.

RENO—Rev. William Moll Case, the pastor, recently preached on the subject "Shall There Be Declared a Moratorium on Public Worship from Easter to Thanksgiving?" During one week in April Mr. Case assisted in the Leaders' Conference of the Student Y. M. C. A. in Yosemite, was Nevada representative in preparing for the Tahoe Young People's Conference, was present at the Sacramento Valley Association of Congregational churches and the Nevada Presbytery at Carson City.

MODOC COUNTY — Miss Mary Coxhead continues her work among the Indians, at her four stations, with regular services and club work. Recently an Indian Men's organization was formed in Alturas.

HAYWARD—According to the report of Rev. R. C. Day, the pastor, there has been no communion service recently without receiving new members.

Under license the consumption of alcoholic liquors mounted from 4 to 23 gallons per capita. Thus regulation proved a stimulation to the trade. As states and counties went dry under local option, consumption dropped to 9 gallons, and under prohibition it plunged to below three gallons.—U. S. Statistical Abstract, 1922, p. 697.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLIES

A rally of Congregational Young People was held in the First Congregational Church of San Francisco on Friday evening, May 20th. About 165 young people from 17 churches attended, Fairfax carrying off the chocolates for the largest group present. Mr. Carlton Peck, president of Cacoypa, served as toastmaster. A welcome to the young people was brought by Mr. Robert Bird and Rev. Kerrison Juniper of the First Church. Judge Curtis D. Wilbur was the speaker of the evening. Superintendent H. H. Gill told of young people's work throughout the conference, and Rev. Ralph C. Waddell outlined the program for the coming Alisomar conference. The young people of Ocean View Church gave a play, following which a social hour was enjoyed by all.

A rally of Congregational Young People in the interior of California was held at Lodi on Friday evening, May 20th. It was well attended. Rev. Lawrence Wilson of Sacramento and Rev. Noel J. Breed of Petaluma were among the speakers. The Young People from Salida furnished music, and games and a general social hour were enjoyed by those present.

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DR. GOODSELL GUEST

The Federation Women were delighted to have as their speaker in May Dr. Fred F. Goodsell, son of our beloved Mrs. Goodsell. Dr. Goodsell is executive Vice-President of the American Board, and through his knowledge gained from active missionary service abroad, as well as from his close contacts with and studies of the work at the home base, he was able to give us a keen insight into the situation both on the foreign field and at home.

He said there was no difference between problems in Africa and those in the Near East, no geographical line between Home and Foreign Missions. We find race prejudice, intemperance, social questions everywhere.

What is our objective then? Not hospitals, not health programs (however necessary), not schools to lighten dense ignorance, but for missionaries to establish contacts with the people whom they serve. Let the ideals of Jesus dominate US, let the dynamic spiritual forces of Christianity take hold of US, then let us share them with the people we meet in our daily lives and as we go about our commonplace tasks and responsibilities.

It is far better for the native Christians to wrestle with their own problems, with the missionaries to guide and wisely help when needed. Christians should be both intelligent and zealous—intelligently zealous.

Three recommendations from the President's Council were made and voted upon. The first measure, endorsed unanimously, was one favoring National Birth Control legislation and urging that information in regard to limiting one's family in the interest of health and economic conditions be allowed to pass through the mail. At present the sending of such information, transmitted through the mail, is punishable by a fine of $5,000 and a prison sentence of five years.

It was stated that 500 births are expected in the Mission District in San Francisco ALONE this coming summer, with no wage earner in the family to support the new comers. Surely much suffering and privation could be avoided by having proper information available.

The second measure acted upon was in connection with the Massie case. The women voted to send a letter to the Secretary of the Navy asking "that Lieutenant Massie be severely disciplined for his actions in Honolulu."

The last recommendation was in regard to our benevolences. Mrs. T. E. Borden, our Corresponding Secretary, was asked to inform every Commissioner at stated intervals in regard to the benevolences of her church, giving the amount already received and that pledged. In her first broadcast, Mrs. Borden made this pregnant statement "When Women KNOW, they ACT."

"UNDER THE (W)RIGHT UMBRELLA"

There has been so much demand for this dialogue, which deals with enforcement of the 18th Amendment and facts connected with it, given at the last Board meeting by Miss Helen Perkins and Mrs. Chauncey J. Hawkins, that it has been mimeographed and is now ready for any who care to use it. We are already mailing out orders. Price 15 cents, just enough to cover expenses. Send for your copy to Mrs. Charles T. Tinker, 1018 Mandana Boulevard, Oakland. Plan to give it in your church now or early in the Fall. Spicy and up-to-date.

BOOKS FOR SUMMER

Prohibition heads the list because of elections next Fall. If the Wright Law is repealed California will be "wide open." The "Wets" are sparing no money or opportunity to defeat it, and the 18th Amendment as well. The honor of the United States is at stake. Christian women, this is OUR cause! WE MUST WIN! But to do so we must rouse ourselves, shake off our indifference and KNOW OUR FACTS. Buy and read at least two of the following pamphlets. Send to Anti-Saloon League, 3 City Hall Avenue, San Francisc.

Prohibition Facts, by Calderwood, 10 cents.

They Almost Had ME fooled, 10 cents.

Let's Have the Truth About Prohibition, by the American Business Men, 15 cents.

Value of Law Observance. Department of Justice (U. S.) Free.

Signs of the Times, 5 cents.

A Prohibition Parallel, 2 cents.

The Wets Give Me a Pain in the Neck, Arthur Briggs.

BOOKS. "The Wet Parade," by Upton Sinclair. One of the most powerful novels depicting the drink habit of the "good old days," ever written. It will hold the reader spellbound from beginning to end. Even H. L. Mencken writes, "Such stuff moves me, and I LIKE A LOT OF IT." Read with it Upton Sinclair's Reminiscences called "American Outposts," both published by Farrarr & Rinehart. It shows why Sinclair has so much sympathy for little children who have been doomed like himself to lives of bitter privation because of a drunken father.

Caroline Atwater Mason, the author of that never-to-be-forgotten missionary story "The Little Green God," now publishes an equally strong society novel called "Challenged" It is short, but powerful, and deals with the drink evil among the "smart" society set.

"Japan Speaks," "China Speaks." Here are two 1932 books, fresh from the Macmillan press. As the titles suggest, they are each written by well known Japanese and Chinese statesmen who give their viewpoints on the recent disturbances in Manchuria and China. Both discuss the rights and wrongs of each country as each sees it and tries to point out what the future relations between Japan and China will be. Any one interested in this Far East situation cannot afford to miss reading these books.

Macmillan has also published two books dealing with the subject of birth control. One is by a Catholic, scientific, clear cut, interesting, but not convincing to many outside of the Catholic faith. The name of the book is "Judgment on Birth Control" by Raoul De Guchteneere. The other, "The Mastery of Sex Through Psychology and Religion" is by Leslie D. Weatherhead, a well-known author, who handles his subject in a clean, frank, sympathetic, and wholly scientific way. It is a book which will appeal to old and young alike, and a book for which thousands of young people will be deeply grateful. It is written in collaboration with Dr. Marion Greaves of London.

M. E. M. DELEGATES

Mrs. Gail Cleland of Alameda and Mrs. Raymond Fuller of Stockton were elected delegates to the M. E. M. Conference at Asilomar, July 5-14. Have you chosen your delegate yet? Go yourself if you can. It is an inspiring place, and a marvelous training ground for missionary activity and enthusiasm. Thirty dollars will pay all your expenses. Who will go?

HOW ONE CHURCH HELPS UNEMPLOYED

Rev. Tom Watt, pastor of Park Congregational Church, corner of Fairview and Ellis Streets, Berkeley, is serving dinners in his church for fifty cents per family. Wouldn't you like to hear one of their menus? Well, hear it is: Baked ham, sweet potatoes, hominy, lettuce salad, rice pudding with real cream, hot rolls, butter and coffee. Could any one ask for a better meal? But not satisfied with their first attempt, they next served a chicken pie dinner. Vegetables galore were placed in the bottom of the pie, genuine chicken added with a lavish hand, and all topped with flaky biscuits. A salad was served as well, strawberries and again real cream, coffee and tea. This time the charge was 75 cents, costing a family of 8 who enjoyed it just 9 cents each. Not bad? They have decided now to specialize in chicken dinners at the original price of 50 cents a family. The next one will be the second Tuesday in June, and the after dinner speaker will be Superintendent Gill. Don't we envy him! Congratulations Mr. Watt, Mrs. Watt, and Park Church. The Women's Auxiliary have also just had a Silver Tea to raise money.

WHY THEY WANT BEER

Irenee du Pont says he can save $10,000,000 a year on taxes in ONE corporation if he can get a three cent tax per glass of beer.

"Good News, Good News, San Francisco. Within a year you will be able to buy real beer—the best beer in the history of the United States—which you will be able to buy at your corner grocery for 10 cents a bottle. Within a year ONE BILLION dollars worth of brewing machinery will be rolling over, producing 60,000,000 barrels of REAL BEER. Beer is the IDEAL HOME BEVERAGE and the brewing industry is BEGGING to be taxed. $300,000,000 the first year, $500,000,000 later and more." Who said all this? Hugh F. Scott, executive secretary of the United States Brewers' Association.

Mrs. Sabin (whose husband is one of the 53 millionaires who contribute annually $300,000 for propaganda against the 18th Amendment) said in her radio talk May 15, 1932, that the word WET like the word CHRISTIAN was **once** a term of reproach, but now BOTH terms were **honorable**, and the "wets" were proud of the distinction attached to their name and wore their badge with pride. We wonder if Mrs. Sabin is equally proud of her **underworld** sympathizers!

HOW IT SPREADS

The astounding piece of work done by Dr. Frank C. Laubach in Lanao, Philippine Islands when he invented an alphabet so that the Moros could learn to read, is spreading over all the Philippine Islands. The Batuibal Christian Council had Dr. Laubach spend several weeks in Manila, and north of that city, training teachers and formulating "keys" for the various dialects. Charts are now ready for the twelve dialects. The Council authorizes the issuing of teachers' certificates and prepares material for students and instructors. Thus the pioneer work of ONE man is starting the Islands hot-foot toward a literate Philippines.

Official reports show that it cost the people of the United States $6,854,910.91 (fines and penalties considered) to enforce prohibition for one year. That figures to five and sixtenths cents per capita. Yet how the opponents of the law wail about the oppressive cost of enforcement!

JAPANESE YOUTH

A remarkably statesmanlike article recently appeared on the young people's page of the "Shin Tenchi," a monthly paper published by our Japanese Christians on the Pacific Coast. It sets forth the very trying situation in which second generation foreign peoples find themselves in our country, and it also reveals that the Japanese are alive to this problem and have found a way of solving it. The article which is entitled "A Vital Problem," is reproduced herewith:

"This has become an increasingly critical period in the history of the second generation Japanese. At first it was the bitter struggle for a living that weighed upon our parents and on ourselves later it became the struggle for an education; now, in most part, at least, we are fortunate enough in being able to feel a bit at ease in the matter of daily needs. Education, too, has come to us. But we are now confronted with the far more delicate and difficult problem of social adustment.

"The recent events in Hawaii have given rise to much thought and it is frankly the opinion of many of the older people that second generation Japanese on the Pacific Coast will in the not far future be cursed with just such a question as is now creating such a turmoil in the Pacific metropolis.

"The tragedy of the second generation is that social life in the full sense has been lacking. The Japanese older people knew a certain society in Japan to which they held a certain feeling of attachment, and to whose ideas and ideals they have remained true. Americans have their own society which fully satisfies their social natures. Children naturally grow up in it. The growing generation of Japanese has, however, not felt the restraining influence of a well organized society, having certain well defined customs and ideals. Many of us can remember only the sad picture of toiling parents, while we have been left to shift for ourselves in city streets or country lanes. What more natural than to absorb things none too healthy for us. This, it seems, is the tragedy of the second generation.

"We may blame the circumstances in which we have been placed. But that will not entirely excuse us. The ominous rumbling of social maladjustment, which echoes from across the waters, must serve as a terrible warning to us.

"If we have ever had ideals, if we have ever had restraint, if we have ever had religion, we shall need it all, all the more in the few years to come. We cannot afford to be blind to the warnings of the time. We must face the situation fearlessly.

"Some day we shall have organized our own society here, and when that time comes we may rest on a more solid foundation. But today our society is young and at the best rather inchoate. We need something fast to cling to, that we may successfully repulse the buffetings of an unfortunate social condition. That, we may find in the church."

THREE SERMONS

The PACIFIC is in receipt of a very attractive book entitled "Three Sermons," by three members of the Yale Band who came to Washington forty-two years ago to engage in home missionary work: Stephen B. L. Penrose, the president of Whitman College; Lucius Olmsted Baird, the superintendent of Washington; and Edward Lincoln Smith, now retired, formerly pastor of the Pilgrim Church, Seattle.

We rejoice with Congregationalists of the northwest in the leadership of these men and their spiritual insight as evidenced by these sermons.